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SUBJECT: SOMALIA WELCOMES INITIATION OF US ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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1. I WAS PLEASED WITH THE RECEPTION SOMALI MINISTER OF MINERALS AND WATER DEVELOPMENT HUSSEIN ABDULKAR KASSIM AND PLANNING COMMISSION DIRECTOR GENERAL MOHAMED SHEIK HASSAN ACCORDED VISITING AID REPS CAMPBELL AND GULICK DURING THEIR INITIAL CALLS ON NOV 27. THE MINISTER PUT IT MOST EXPLICITLY AT THE END OF THE MORNING WHEN HE SAID THAT PURSUANT TO CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN PRESIDENT SIAD AND AMBASSADOR LOUGHRAN, THE GOVT OF THE SOMALI DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC (GSDR) WELCOMES THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AMERICAN BILATERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR SOMALIA. THE GSDR IN TURN WILL DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO FACILITATE APPOINTMENTS, DISCUSSIONS AND TRAVEL DURING THE AID TEAM'S TEMPORARY STAY. IT WILL ALSO TAKE STEPS TO ASSURE THAT PERMANENTLY ASSIGNED AID PERSONNEL WILL BE MADE WELCOME IN SOMALIA AND ENJOY THE NECESSARY LATITUDE TO PERFORM THEIR FUNCTIONS.

2. THE MINISTER SAID HE SAW NO DIFFICULTY IN HAVING HIS REMARKS

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INCORPORATED IN A NOTE VERBALE TO THE EMBASSY. HE ACCEPTED MY COMMENT THAT THIS WOULD SERVE AS A USEFUL INTERIM CHARTER FOR A US ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IN SOMALIA.

3. AT THE CLOSE OF THE MEETING THE MINISTER DREW ME ASIDE AND ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY DECISION ON HIS TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON. HE SAID WHILE THERE HE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO DISCUSS ASSISTANCE

PROGRAMS. I HOPE THAT I MAY BE ABLE TO GIVE THE MINISTER AN
AFFIRMATIVE ANSWER SOON. KASSIM WILL APPARENTLY BE RESPONSIBLE
TO THE PRESIDENT FOR US DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS IN SOMALIA. I BELIEVE
A FIRST HAND EXPOSURE ACQUAINTANCE WITH SOME OF THE PRINCIPALS
IN WASHINGTON WILL BE HELPFUL TO KASSIM AND CONTRIBUTE TO OUR
EFFORTS IN LAUNCHING A BILATERAL PROGRAM HERE.
LOUGHRAN

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